MR. E G. SALTER :

(*a*) 1. Trivandrum-Nagercoil
2. Trivandrum-Vizhinjam
3. Nagercoil-Colachel
4. Trivandrum-Nedumangad
5. Nagercoil-Cape Comorin
6. Nagercoil-Azhakiapandipuram
7. Kottayam-Kottarakara

(*b*) Approximately eight cash per mile.

Appointments by the Director of Public Instruction.

217 *MR. THARIATHU KUNJITHOMMEN: Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement, by caste, of the persons appointed by the Director of Public Instruction in short vacancies during the two years ending with the 1st Dhanu 1116 ?

MR. A. GOPALA MENON: A *statement, by caste, of the persons appointed in short vacancies in the Office of the Director of Public Instruction during the two years ending with the 1st Dhanu 1116 is laid on the table.

Appointments by the Surgeon-General.

218 *MR. THARIATHU KUNJITHOMMEN: Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement, by caste, of the persons appointed by the Surgeon-General in short vacancies during the two years ending with the 1st Dhanu 1116 ?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR: A † statement containing the information is laid on the table.

Appointments in the High Court.

219 *MR. THARIATHU KUNJITHOMMEN: Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement, by caste:

(*a*) of the clerks, and

(*b*) of the peons

appointed by the High Court in short vacancies during the two years ending with the 1st Dhanu 1116?

MR. PUTHUPALLY S. KRISHNA PILLAI: The ‡statement is laid on the table.

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*. *Vide* Appendix XVI page 247.

†*Vide* Appendix XVII page 248.

‡Vide Appendix XVIII page 249.

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Appendix XVIII.

***Vide* Answer to Question No. 219.**

Statement by caste of clerks and peons appointed by the High Court in short vacancies.

		Clerks.	Peons.
A. *Hindu*			
1.	Brahmin ...	2	6
2.	Nair ...	...	13
3.	Ezhava ...	...	4
4	Nadar ...	...	3
5.	Other Specified Hindu ...	1	4
B. *Muslim*			
C. *Christian*			
1.	Syriac Catholic ...	...	1
2.	Latin Catholic ...	1	2
3.	Jacobite Syrian ...	1	1
4.	Marthomite ...	...	...
5.	South Indian United Church.	1	...
6.	Anglican ...	...	...
7.	Other Christian ...	...	2

PRESIDENT: Order, order. The time for questions having elapsed, we will now pass on to the next item of business.

ADJOURNMENT MOTION.

PRESIDENT: I have received the following notice of a motion for the adjournment of the business of the House.

> "In view of the circulation in Nagercoil of a notice stating that a public meeting will be held to-morrow for the taking of the Independence Pledge which involves severance of the British Government and the attainment of complete Independence."

After receiving this notice I looked into the matter and I find that Mahatma Gandhi has sent out instructions that on the 26th an oath should be taken on expressing belief that India must sever British connection and attain Purna Swaraj or Independence For obvious reasons such meetings and such taking of oaths are not possible in an Indian State bound to the Paramount Power by certain treaties and ties of allegiance. It is therefore not the policy of this Government to allow such meetings to be held or such pledges to be taken; and necessary steps will be taken in that regard to-morrow if, in spite of what has fallen from the Chair, any meetings or pledges are contemplated.

Does the honourable member now want to move the motion?

MR. D. C. JOSEPH (*Nominated*): I do not move the motion.

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